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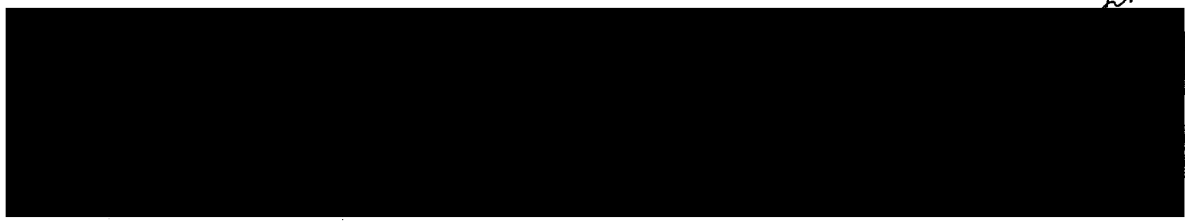
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1. The airfield is situated two kilometers northeast of Szombathely and about eighteen kilometers, airline distance, from the Austrian frontier. It is of rectangular shape and measures about 1,500 x 1,000 meters. Along the west side of the field passes the road leading from Szombathely to Burgenland. A barbed wire barrier begins at the northwest corner of the field, extends along the west and south sides, and ends at the southeast entrance to the field.
 2. About the middle of the west side of the field are two very low hangars about 30 meters wide, each having a capacity of 15 fighter planes. They were constructed by the Hungarians before the war and have remained intact.
 3. At the southwest corner and extending nearly to the middle of the south side of the field is a series of some eight buildings which are used as workshops and storage space for aeronautical material.
 4. The construction of a concrete runway to extend from the southwest corner in a northeastern direction was begun by the Germans. A strip of only about 100 meters was completed. About midway on the northern side of the field the Russians are now laying down a rock bed which extends due south for about 200 meters. This rock work may be a runway or some kind of underground structure.
 5. No fixed storage facilities for fuel have been identified, but cans of gasoline were seen piled up in various parts of the field.
 6. The personnel of the airfield consists of 280 men including officials, NCOs, and troops. They live in two farm houses and other smaller structures about one kilometer in a southeastern direction from the field toward the town of Szombathely.
 7. This field is used for the checking and assignment of planes and does not base regular units. The number of planes handled daily varies from a minimum of 15 to a maximum of 100, the majority of which are YAK 3, Stormovik, and Douglas P.

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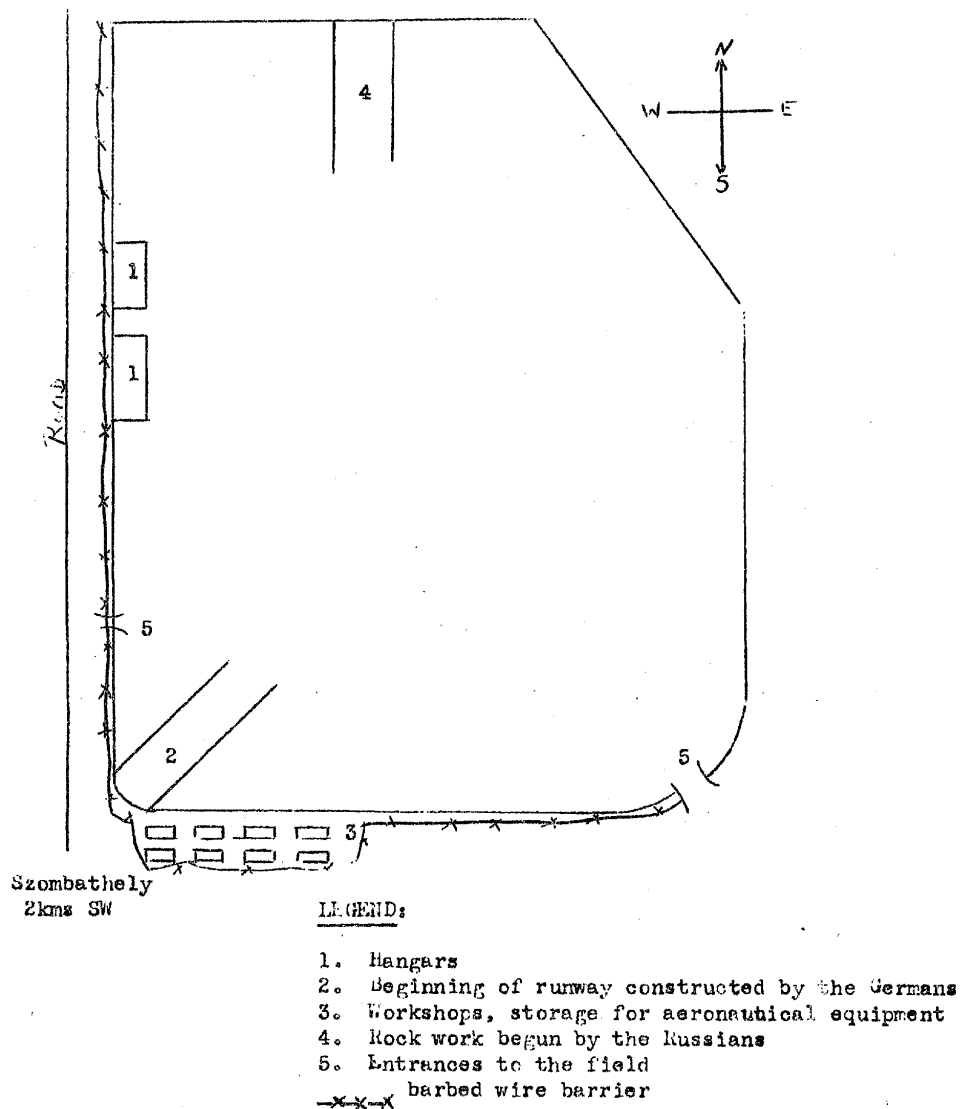
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Airfield at Szombathely



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